



Editorial

Welcome to the first edition of the UEFA Academic Newsletter, to be distributed on a regular basis to our network of academic and research institutions. As UEFA continues to actively engage with the academic community, we today launch this newsletter to provide you regularly with first insights into the various research initiatives and academic-related projects that UEFA supports. This first edition focuses on two new academic initiatives: the UEFA Research Grant Programme and the Executive Master in European Sport Governance (MESGO).



We are looking forward to your input and participation in the above-mentioned projects which will also be advertised on a special UEFA Universities webpage available at www.uefa.com, under UEFA > Stakeholders > Universities.



Yours faithfully,

UEFA Professional Football Services Unit

UEFA Academic Initiatives

UEFA Research Grant Programme

The UEFA Research Grant Programme is designed to establish a series of awards to support the valuable work of doctoral and post-doctoral researchers on European football. Research proposals in economics, history, law, management, political sciences and sociology may be submitted for consideration by the UEFA Research Grant Jury. **Kindly note, that for the first cycle the deadline for applications has been extended to 30 April 2010.** Grants are allocated on a yearly basis. The maximum amount for a grant is EUR 20,000.

We take this opportunity to encourage you to disseminate this information among your colleagues and students who may be conducting research in this field. Potential applicants should contact the UEFA Universities Coordinator (see below for details) for more information.

Executive Master in European Sport Governance (MESGO)



The MESGO is a programme addressed at senior managers from national, European and international sport federations, clubs, leagues, European institutions and governments or partners of sport organisations. The programme aims at providing European sport top executives with an appropriate level of professional development and excellence.

Pioneered by five internationally renowned universities and research centres (The Birkbeck Sports Business Centre, Birkbeck College, University of London; Centre de Droit et d'Economie du Sport, Université de Limoges; Johannes Gutenberg University of Mainz; Institut Nacional d'Educació Física de Catalunya, University of Lleida; Sciences Po Paris), it has UEFA's full support. In addition to UEFA, different team sports such as the European Handball Federation (EHF), the International Basketball Federation (FIBA Europe), the European Volleyball Confederation (CEV) and the European Rugby Association (FIRA-AER) are giving their backing to this innovative programme.

For further information please visit the MESGO website at www.mesgo.org.



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